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| Title:      | Refrigerant Material Transfer | ) |                             |
|             | Device and Method             | ) |                             |

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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated November 24, 2003, applicants' request that the following remarks be considered and respectfully request the amendment of the above identified application as follows:

In the claims:

Please replace claims 19 and 20 as follows:

19. A material transfer device as described in claim 35 in which said one assembly prong is formed at angle toward said body or said locking sleeve not having said prong thereon.

20. A material transfer device as described in claim 35 in which said body or said locking sleeve not having said prong thereon having a raised stop portion for restraining disassembly of said body and said locking sleeve.

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